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## INFORMATION REPORT

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- 1. The Melnik port is located approximately 1.5 km. north of the vehicular 25X1 bridge across the Elbe near Melnik. The port consists of two basins each about 450 m. long and 80 m. wide. The entrance to the port from the river is situated 2,200 meters north of the bridge.
- 2. The quay and the barge warehouse on the quay are used mainly for reloading bulk goods such as ore, coal, etc. The warehouses between the basins are 2-story buildings of 100 x 20 meters. The maximum load of cranes is 3 tons. The marshalling yards are located on the mole which has been built to protect the port against flood-waters and ice and are connected with the main Melnik station by a branch line. The administration building is located at the head of Basin No. 1 near the entrance to the port.
- 3. Basin No. 1 has a capacity of 17 barges 85 meters long, and the whole port can be used as shelter for approximately 80 barges in winter. 29 barges can be loaded or unloaded simultaneously.
- 4. On the bank of Basin No. 2 a shipyard and a repair-shop are being built, but only about 20 people are at present employed on the site. It will have slip-ways, etc. for six barges.

Annex:

Sketch (1 page) of the Elbe River port at Melnik.

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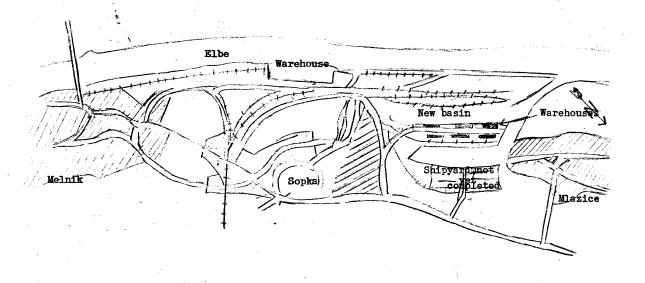
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